

Bill to incorporate Lodge No. 36, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, located at Clarksville Red River county Texas. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Bill to authorize the commissioner of the General Land Office, to introduce the De Ryee method of printing and multiplying maps and drawings &c., or to establish a Photographic Bureau. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on the General Land Office.

A bill to apportion the State into Senatorial and Representative districts (from the House.) Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on Apportionment.

Mr. Pitts by leave, introduced a bill for the relief of Isaac D. Steel. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on Court of Claims.

Mr. Throckmorton by leave introduced a bill for the relief of Edward Hall. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on the Court of Claims.

Mr. Herbert by leave, introduced a bill for the endowment of professorships in the College's, Academies and Seminaries of Texas. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Erath by leave, introduced a bill to incorporate Waco Female College. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Herbert, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M., on Monday.

MONDAY, January 16th, 1860.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the Rev. J. W. Kinney—roll called—quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Frath presented the petition of assignees of John Hen-week, for land. Referred to the committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Guinn presented the petition of Charles Clark, for land. Referred to the committee on the Court of Claims.

Mr. Quinan, from the committee on Internal Improvement. Reported the following bill and recommended its passage.

A bill amendatory of and supplemental to an act to encourage the improvement of the navigation of the rivers, and other navigable waters in Texas by making appropriations for the same, passed 23rd August, 1854. Read 1st time.

Mr. Potter, chairman of the committee on the Judiciary, to

whom was referred a bill to authorize and require the clerk of the district court of Titus county, to apportion the causes on the docket of said court.

A bill authorizing the corporation of Corsicana to tax ten pin alleys.

And a bill requiring the Treasurer of the State, to refund to Blas Uribe, and others certain moneys erroneously collected of them, return them to the Senate and recommend their passage.

Mr. Erath introduced a bill authorizing the county court of Falls county, to levy a special tax. Read 1st time and referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Erath introduced a bill to incorporate Clifton Academy, in Bosque county. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Rainey introduced a bill amendatory of an act concerning crimes and punishments, approved February 2nd, 1856. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Hart introduced a bill to locate a branch of the State Penitentiary. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to a select committee.

Messrs. Hart, Erath, Throckmorton, Harman and Quinan were appointed such committee.

Mr. Whaley presented the petition of the heirs of law of William Young, for relief. Referred to the committee on Private Land Claims.

Mr. Shepard introduced a bill to incorporate the Washington County Cotton and Wollen Manufacturing Company. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Martin, chairman of the committee on Stock and Stock Raising, made the following report :

The committee on Stock and Stock Raising, have had under consideration several bills, introduced in relation to the estray laws, and instruct me to report a bill to regulate estrays and recommend its passage.

A bill regulating estrays. Read 1st time, and on motion of Mr. Erath, made special order for Wednesday, January 18th, 1860.

A message was received from the House, that the House had passed, over the veto of the Governor, an act supplementary to and amendatory of an act entitled an act to provide relief for pre-emption settlers and their assignees, under the act of 22nd January, 1845, the act of 7th February, 1853, and the act of 12th

February, 1854, and actual settlers in the Mississippi and Pacific Railroad Reservations.

On motion of Mr. Townes, a bill to create the Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings, was taken up.—Read 2nd time.

And on motion of Mr. Townes, the following amendments were adopted;

At the end of sec. 3, add “and shall have power to sell any articles of furniture and other personally in their charge which may become useless to the State.”

At the end of sec. 4 add, “and the office of the Attorney General, under his special charge.” And bill ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Hart, the rule was suspended, bill read 3rd time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Townes, a bill to amend an act to define the duties of the Secretary of State, passed May 9th, 1846, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Townes, the following amendments were adopted:

Amend by inserting in 6th line of section 1, after Librarian “and shall have charge of the Archives of the Legislature.”

Add to sec. 1, “And it shall be especially his duty to keep the Library open during the session of the Legislature, so that the same may be accessible to the members.

In sec. 2, strike out “one thousand” and insert “nine hundred.”

On motion of Mr. Parsons, the bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Townes, a bill making an appropriation for repairing the Capitol and other Public Buildings, was taken up. Read 2nd time, and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Hart, rule suspended, bill read 3rd time and passed.

A message was received from the House, that the House had passed a bill to incorporate the German English School of San Antonio.

A bill to authorize the corporation of Laredo, to dispose of certain lands, &c.

A bill for the relief of Wm. J. Kyle, assignee of Jerome B. Robertson.

And a bill for the relief of William Drake.

Mr. Stockdale, chairman of the committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report:

The committee on Enrolled Bills, have examined the following bills, viz :

A bill regulating further proceedings in the Supreme Court.

A bill to amend the fourth section of the act of May 12th, 1846, entitled an act to regulate the license and practice of attorneys and counsellors at law, and to amend the second section of the act of February 11th, 1854, entitled an act to amend the 9th and 10th sections of an act to regulate the license and practice of attorneys and counsellors at law. They find said bills correctly enrolled and properly signed, and this day presented to the Governor.

The committee also report that they have deposited in the State Department properly certified, the bill entitled an act supplemental to and amendatory of an act to provide relief for pre-emption settlers, and their assignees, under the act of 22nd January, 1845, the act of 7th February, 1853, and the act of 13th February, 1854, and actual settlers in the Mississippi and Pacific Railroad Reservations. Passed notwithstanding the veto of the Governor.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A bill to apportion the Senators and Representatives of the Legislature among the several counties in the State according to the requirements of the constitution, being the special order.

Mr. Parsons, chairman of the committee on Apportionment, by leave made the following report :

The committee on Apportionment, to whom was referred the House bill to apportion the State into Senatorial and Representative districts; have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report the same back with the following amendments and recommend its passage :

Senatorial district No. 1. Amend by striking out "Orange and Hardin."

No. 2. Add "Orange and Hardin," and strike out "Trinity."

No. 10. Strike out "Henderson."

No. 11. Add "Trinity."

No. 12. Add "Van Zandt."

No. 13. Strike out "Van Zandt," and add "Henderson."

No. 19. Strike out "Hill," and add "Ellis."

No. 20. Strike out "Ellis," and add "Erath, Parker and Palo Pinto."

No. 21. Strike out "Parker," and add "Buchanan, Shackelford and Jones."

No. 27. Add "Lampasas."

No. 28. Strike out "Lampasas, Erath, Palo Pinto, Buchanan, Shackelford and Jones," and add "Hill."

Amend section 2 by inserting "Red River" in place of "Titus," as the county of the returning officer for 8th district.

And by inserting "Houston" in place of "Anderson" as the county of the returning officer for 11th district.

Amend section 3 in 2nd line, by striking out "ninety," add as an additional section the following :

"In all Senatorial or representative districts, composed of but one county, the chief justice of that county shall receive the election returns, and give the certificates of election to the Senator or Representative elected."

The amendments proposed are offered to make this bill conform to the bill reported to the Senate and amended in that chamber except those in relation to the 19, 20, 21, 27 and 28 districts, upon which all the Senators and Representatives of districts are agreed.

On motion of Mr. Parsons, the rule was suspended, and the report taken up.

The Senate's bill was then laid on the table.

Mr. Rains moved to lay the report on the table, which was withdrawn on the suggestion of Mr. Lott.

Mr. Potter called the previous question, which was ordered by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Blanch, Dickinson, Fall, Grimes, Guinn, Hart, Herbert, Parsons, Pitts Potter, Quinn, Scarborough, Shepard, Sims, Stockdale and Throckmorton—16.

NAYS—Messrs. Chambers, Erath, Harman, Hyde, Lott, Martin, Rains, Rainey, Townes, Walker and Wallace—12.

The question being the adoption of the report.

Mr. Throckmorton moved a call of the Senate, which was sustained.

A bill for the relief of John Frederick. Read 3rd time and passed.

A bill to amend the 4th and 8th sections of an act defining the duties of the Attorney General of the State of Texas, passed May 11, 1846. Read 3rd time.

Mr. Potter offered the following amendments :

In caption strike out "and" between the words "four" and "eight" and after the word "eight" insert "and nine."

Add the following as section 3 :

Section 3. That section nine of said act is hereby so amended that the same shall hereafter read as follows :

The Attorney General shall at the request of the Governor, Secretary of State, Comptroller of Public Accounts, State

Treasurer, Commissioner of the General Land Office, and of any other officer or officers, at the head of any of the Departments of the State Government at the seat of Government of the State and of assessors and collectors of taxes, and Treasurer of any county, give an opinion in writing in all cases touching the public interest or concerning the revenue or expenses of the State. Adopted.

A bill for the relief of John Smith, was ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Hyde, the rule was suspended, bill read 3rd time and passed by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Blanch, Chambers, Dickinson, Erath, Fall, Gentry, Grimes, Harman, Herbert, Hyde, Martin, Parsons, Pitts, Potter, Quinan, Rainey, Scarborough, Schleicher, Shepard, Stockdale, Throckmorton, Townes, Walker, Wallace, and Whaley—25.

NAYS—Messrs. Guinn, Hart, Lott, Raines and Sims—5.

On motion of Mr. Townes, a bill to amend an act to define the duties of the Secretary of State passed May 9, 1846, was taken from the table.

Mr. Parsons offered a substitute, which was read and pending the question of its adoption.

On motion of Mr. Lott the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, January 17th, 1860.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Carden—roll called—quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Walker presented the petition of sundry citizens of Dallas county. Referred to the committee on Private Land Claims.

Mr. Potter, chairman of the committee on the Judiciary, made the following reports :

The Judiciary committee, have considered a bill to change the name of Susan Allford to Susan Bell, and permit Abigail Bell to adopt her. A majority of the committee are opposed to legislation like that proposed by the bill, but there are peculiar reasons alleged in this case which induce the committee to except it out of the general rule ; and I am therefore directed to return the bill to the Senate and recommend its passage.

The Judiciary committee have considered a House bill to remove the disabilities of minority from Tomas A. Rodriguez, and